

Electronic Health Records Incentive Program for Eligible Professionals

Register today to receive up to \$63,750 in incentive payments for your certified EHR technology!
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Did you know?

- 1. You can now include your non-reimbursed, zero pay and denied patients into your patient volume!
- 2. For <u>2014</u> only, all providers, regardless of their stage of meaningful use, are only required to demonstrate meaningful use for a 90 day period.
- 3. You must upgrade to a <u>2014</u> certified EHR technology before attesting.
- 4. As of April 2013, you only have to complete 13 Core Objectives for Stage 1.
- If you do not qualify for Medicare, you may qualify for Medicaid
- Nurse Practitioners can qualify for an EHR
 Incentive payment even if they work under the physician's supervision.



To learn more about the Connecticut Medicaid EHR Incentive Program:

- Call the dedicated CT Medicaid EHR
 Incentive Program call center toll free at 1-855-313-6638, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST
 OR
- Email ctmedicaid-ehr@hp.comOR
- Visit https://www.ctdssmap.com and select "EHR Incentive Program"



As of November 2013, the Connecticut Department of Social Services reports that there are over 1,400 providers receiving EHR program incentives.

What are the attestation requirements for CT Professionals?

- Name of the eligible professional
- National Provider Identifier (NPI)
- Business address and business phone
- Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) to which the provider would like their incentive payment made
- Medicare or Medicaid program selection (may only switch once after receiving an incentive payment before 2015) for EPs
- State selection for Medicaid providers



What is the Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program?

The Medicaid EHR Incentive Program provides financial incentive payments for eligible Medicaid health care providers to adopt and meaningfully use certified electronic (EHR) technology. Eligible professionals and hospitals may qualify for incentive payments for the adoption, implementation, upgrade or the demonstration of meaningful use in their first year of participation. Additionally, they must successfully demonstrate meaningful use for the remaining years they participate in the program.

What is A.I.U.?

A.I.U. stands for Adopt, Implement and Upgrade an Electronic Health Record (EHR) system / technology.

- Adopt Acquire and install a certified EHR technology. Participants must also show proof of the acquisition and installation.
- ❖ Implement Begin using a certified EHR technology, and provide staff training or data entry of patient demographic information into the EHR system.
- Upgrade- Expand the existing EHR technology to meet certification requirements or add new functionality to meet the definition of a certified EHR technology.

This EHR Incentive Program will support more person-centered care and will reduce duplication of efforts across providers.

- Commissioner Roderick Bremby

You could receive up to **\$63,750** by doing the following:

- 1. A.I.U. a certified EHR System, and
- 2. Demonstrate Meaningful Use with your certified EHR technology!

Who is eligible for the EHR Incentive Program?

- Physician or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine
- Dentists
- Nurse Practitioners (APRN)
- Certified Nurse-Midwives (CNM)
- Physician Assistant (PA) who furnishes services in a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) that is led by a PA.

How much are the incentive payments?

Eligible professionals have until 2016 to apply for EHR incentive payments for adopting, implementing, upgrading or demonstrating meaningful use of certified EHR technology. Payments will be made for six years for professionals who have a Medicaid patient volume >30%.

The 1st payment year: **\$21,250.**

Participants must attest to A.I.U. or demonstrate meaningful use of a certified EHR system.

The next 5 payment years: \$8,500/year.

Participants must show meaningful use for each additional year by meeting the required thresholds/benchmarks.

Note: Pediatricians can qualify with a Medicaid patient volume > 20% and receive a first year payment of **\$14,167** and **\$5,667** for five payment years.



What are the Program Requirements?

Eligible professionals can qualify for the EHR incentive payments if they meet the following criteria:

- Adopt, Implement, Upgrade or demonstrate meaningful use of certified EHR technology.
- ❖ Have a Medicaid patient volume >30 % for attestation period or > 20% for Pediatricians
- Provider is licensed to practice in the State of Connecticut and has no current sanctions.

Application Process:

Register with CMS at the Registration and Attestation System https://ehrincentives.cms.gov to register providers will need:

- ❖ Payee's NPI and Tax Identification Number
- Selection of Incentive Program option:
 Connecticut Medicaid
- EHR certification number
- Email contact information

Once registered, applicants will receive an email notifying them that they can begin the Connecticut **Medicaid Provider Repository (MAPIR)** application at https://www.ctdssmap.com.

Providers will attest to:

- Patient volume period
- Patient encounter data
- Total Medicaid encounters
- Total patient encounters
- Documentation supporting Adoption, Implementation, or Upgrade of certified EHR System. Acceptable documentation includes:
 - Receipt
 - Lease
 - Legal document
 - Vendor contract
 - Cancelled checks
 - User/license agreement